

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1799.

The senate, having previously qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the election of a council to the governor; the ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee of the senate appointed to meet the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after the examination of the ballots returned and reported, that Thomas Buchanan, Arthur Shaaff, Jonathan R. Wilmer, James Thomas and John Davidson, Esquires, had a majority of votes.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that Thomas Buchanan, Arthur Shaaff, Jonathan R. Wilmer, James Thomas and John Davidson, Esquires, are duly elected a council to the governor.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

### T U E S D A Y, November 19, 1799.

**T**HE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings from Monday the fourth to Monday the eighteenth, inclusive, were read.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 19, 1799.

Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, that negro Tom, the slave of Joshua Dorsey, senior, of Anne-Arundel county, was sentenced to suffer death by the judgment of the county court of Frederick county, and the said sentence has been commuted into banishment out of the United States, and the said negro slave Tom was valued by said court to the sum of ninety pounds current money: And whereas the said Joshua Dorsey had conveyed said negro to his three children, Henry Hall Dorsey, Isaac Dorsey and Elizabeth Dorsey, as appears in proof to this house, and to whom, of right, the said sum of money belongs; therefore **RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to the said Henry Hall Dorsey, Isaac Dorsey and Elizabeth Dorsey, or their order, the aforesaid sum of ninety pounds, the valuation of the said negro slave Tom.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The senate having received due information of the death of the honourable John Selby Purnell, a member of this house, and having previously qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the election of a senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by this event; the ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, and an examination thereof there appeared for William Hemsley, junior, Esquire, four ballots, and for Charles Goldsborough, junior, Esquire, four ballots; the ballots being equal in number, the senate proceeded to a second ballot in the manner prescribed by the constitution and form of government; the ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, and on examination thereof it appeared, that William Hemsley, junior, Esquire, had four ballots, and that Charles Goldsborough, junior, Esquire, had four ballots; the ballots being again equal in number, the senate proceeded to determine the election by lot, and Charles Goldsborough, junior, Esquire, was elected.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that Charles Goldsborough, junior, Esquire, is duly elected a member thereof.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate a bill, entitled, An act to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 7, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

" By the house of delegates, November 11, 1799: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act to empower the justices of the levy court of Charles county to assess and levy annually a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 3, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

" By the house of delegates, November 13, 1799: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the levy court of Dorchester county to assess and levy annually a sum of money for the support of Philemon Brooke, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 14, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

" By the house of delegates, November 16, 1799: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the levy court of Dorchester county to assess and levy annually a sum of money for the support of Esther Kenner, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 14, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

" By the house of delegates, November 16, 1799: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act to empower the levy court of Dorchester county to appoint a constable for the town of Cambridge, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 15, 1799: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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